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North Clairemont Branch Library's 50th Anniversary Library Hosting an Anniversary Party to Celebrate 50 Years of Serving the Community

SAN DIEGO – The North Clairemont Branch Library will be throwing a 50th anniversary party featuring free family entertainment on Saturday, November 17, 2012 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The festivities will kick off at 11:00 a.m. with a music performance by Celia Lawley and the All-American Fiddle Cats, a trio of female fiddlers who sing and dance while playing the fiddle. This high-energy performance will be followed by special guest speakers at noon and a magic show appropriate for all ages at 1:00 p.m. Face-painting, henna tattoos and children's crafts will also be happening.

Since opening in 1962, the North Clairemont Library has seen a number of changes. The original size of the building was 4,576 square feet and it was designed to hold 20,000 volumes. Over the course of fifty years, the library has been burned twice, rebuilt and expanded. Expansion came in the form of a meeting room that was built in 1989 as a result of strong community support. More recently, the branch underwent a landscaping renovation made possible by the commitment of numerous staff and volunteers and the generosity of many community members. Now the North Clairemont Branch Library is 5,136 square feet in size with beautiful plants and bright exterior colors that invite passersby to come in and explore. It houses more than 52,000 items, including books, audio books, magazines, DVDs and music CDs. In addition to using the library as a place to read, patrons also regularly visit the branch to attend programs, meet with neighbors, and use services including free WiFi and the twelve Internet stations and an early literacy computer.

The North Clairemont Library is located at 4616 Clairemont Drive, San Diego, CA 92117. The Library's hours of operation are Monday 12:30 to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday 12:30 to 8:00 p.m., Thursday and Friday 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and closed on Sunday. Please call (858) 581-9931 for more information.

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